

and inspired by their stories, Ward created Lines of Violation as a modern monument to the forbearance that these women showed both during the war and in the decades since.

Lines of Violation depicts life-size drawings of the hands of these 52 Filipino, Taiwanese, Korean, and Dutch former comfort women. Ward relied on his sense of touch to sketch their hands, thereby capturing his response to the women's emotions immediately in the moment. The drawings are encased in two 7.5 foot-high and 23 foot-long semicircular plexiglass frames lit by shifting lights in the center of the installation. A sound system projects the voices of the victims recounting their stories, constantly infusing the artwork with their presence.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud today's opening of the Lines of Violation exhibition in Philadelphia. Lines of Violation has already touched countless viewers in Europe, Asia, and Africa, and now for the first time Americans will have the opportunity to experience this unique work of art. I sincerely hope that this exhibition will heighten awareness of the terrible crimes committed against these women and hasten the day when they achieve the justice that they deserve at last.

#### TRIBUTE TO JOE TAVAGLIONE, JR.

##### HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 10, 2003*

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual whose dedication and contributions to the community of Riverside, CA are exceptional. Riverside has been fortunate to have dynamic and dedicated community members who willingly and unselfishly give their time and talent and make their communities a better place to live and work. Joe Tavaglione, Jr. is one of these individuals. On Saturday, July 12, 2003 Joe will be celebrating his 80th birthday.

Joe has spent most of his life in Riverside, his family moved there in 1927 when he was 3 years old. He is one of eleven siblings who worked together to help their family by operating citrus groves and the Rubidoux winery in the heart of Riverside. Joe attended local schools including Poly High School and Riverside City College.

In 1944 Joe married his high school sweetheart, Jackie, and raised two sons, Jeff and Jay. The two sons would eventually join Joe and his brother Louis in the family business. Joe began his career working as a lumber salesman with Center Lumber Company in Riverside and later moved to the Heers Brothers Construction/Builders. His emphasis was in residential construction, building homes in California and Nevada and 8,000 military units at Fort Ord, CA.

After his success in working for Heers Brothers, Joe and Louis decided to form Tavaglione Construction and Development. They started building residential tracks, then shifted their focus to freestanding commercial buildings, constructing Farrell's Ice Cream Parlors, Chief Auto Parts and over 1,000 7-11 convenience stores in 12 western States.

Joe has also been actively involved in the community, having been selected by two California Governors for statewide positions in-

cluding Chairman of the California State Contractor's Board and the California Transportation Commission. He also sits on the City of Riverside's Public Utility Board and is the current President of the National Association of Contractors. Joe is also active in the Humane Society.

Joe's tireless work ethic and dedication to community service has contributed immensely to the betterment of the community of Riverside, CA. I am proud to call Joe a fellow community member, American and friend. I know that many community members are grateful for his contributions and salute him on his 80th birthday.

#### TRIBUTE TO VICE ADMIRAL PAUL G. GAFFNEY II

##### HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 10, 2003*

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, it has come to my attention that Vice Admiral Paul G. Gaffney II, is retiring after a long and exceptionally distinguished career.

Admiral Gaffney's outstanding service to the Nation has been marked by meritorious service in increasingly demanding command positions, culminating as the President of the National Defense University. He has demonstrated strong and inspiring leadership, unsurpassed executive ability, and an untiring dedication to the spirit and mission of the United States Navy.

Admiral Gaffney is a 1968 graduate of the United States Naval Academy. He is also a graduate of Catholic University with a master's degree in Ocean Engineering. He completed an MBA at Jacksonville University and was a student and advanced research fellow at the Naval War College graduating with highest distinction.

His distinguished career has spanned 3 decades and includes duty at sea, overseas and ashore in executive and command positions. His duties have included tours as Operations Officer, USS *Whippoorwill*, in Japan; Advisor to the Vietnamese Navy Combat Hydrographic Survey Team; Executive Assistant to the Oceanographic Unit for conducting hydrographic surveys in the Republic of Indonesia; Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs; Commanding Officer of the Naval Oceanography Command Facility, Jacksonville, FL; Assistant Chief of Naval Research in Washington, DC; Commanding Officer of the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, DC; and Command, Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command.

Admiral Gaffney's awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (four awards), Bronze Star (with "V"), and the Naval War College's J. William Middendorf Prize for Strategic Research.

Mr. Speaker, I know the Members of the House will join me in paying tribute to Admiral Paul G. Gaffney II, for his outstanding commitment to the United States Navy and the United States of America.

#### TRIBUTE TO ISADORE A. SHRAGER, ESQ., B.S., LL.B.

##### HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 10, 2003*

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor a great American and a better friend, Isadore Shrager. "Izz" Shrager is a legend in my home town of Philadelphia.

He has been an important contributor to our city and our nation. He serves or has served on many important organizations, including the Democratic County Executive Committee of Philadelphia; Fairmount Park Commission; Pennsylvania Transportation Commission; the Board of Directors of City Trusts; the Board of Wills Eye Hospital; the Board of Community College of Philadelphia; the Board of Temple University; and the Board of Governors of Temple Hospital. Isadore is Past President and Honorary President of Akiba Hebrew Academy; Life Member of Board of Trustees of Har Zion Temple; a member of the National Lawyers' Committee for Endowment and Bequests of the Weizmann Institute of Science in Israel; member, Zionist Organization of America; and Director and Solicitor of the Amelia S. Buten Research Fund.

A long time attorney, Mr. Shrager's practice involves a broad range of matters, including business administration, zoning, wills, condemnation, legal issues involving City, State and Federal agencies, and those pertaining to education at the secondary, college and graduate school levels. Isadore is Solicitor to the Register of Wills of Philadelphia and is a member of the American, Pennsylvania and Philadelphia Bar Associations, and serves on many of their committees. He has served as a member and delegate to the Judicial Conference of the Third Circuit, and a member of the Democratic State Committee, serving as a Delegate to the Democratic National Conventions since 1946. Among numerous awards and honors he has received are: the B.L. Jacobs Adult Award, Cyrus Adler Community Service Award, State of Israel Tribute, Democratic Tribute Award, Lifetime Honorary Trustee of Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia, and the Temple Diamond Award. He also sponsors the Isadore A. Shrager Scholarship of the Temple University School of Law.

Mr. Speaker, Isadore Shrager is my friend of many years. It is fitting that my colleagues join me in honoring him today.

#### IN HONOR OF RUTH HUNTER

##### HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 10, 2003*

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ruth Hunter, a courageous activist who has spent her life doing what she felt was right, if not always popular. She works tirelessly to right both global and local wrongs, encompassing the community spirit of Santa Cruz County that sees inequality as everyone's problem.

Ruth first caught the activist bug while visiting the Soviet Union in 1985. Over the next 2 decades she traveled across war-ravaged